के लिये पेंशन योजना आरम्भ करने का विचार रखती है, यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण है ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जनार्दन पुजारी) : भारतीय स्टेट बैंक, स्टेट बैंक आफ हैदराबाद और इलाहाबाद बैंक को छोड़कर, जिनकी ऐतिहासिक कारणों से पेंशन योजनाएं हैं, सरकारी क्षेत्र के बैंकों के कर्मचारियों के वास्ते पेंशन योजना नहीं है । सरकारी क्षेत्र के बाकी बैंकों के कर्मचारियों के वास्ते पेंशन योजना शुरू करने का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है । सरकारी क्षेत्र के बैंकों के कर्मकार कर्मचारियों की सेवा शर्तें अवार्डों और द्विपक्षीय समझौतों से नियंत्रित की जाती है । इन अवार्डों और समझौतों में इन बैंकों के कर्मचारियों के वास्ते पेंशन योजना का प्रावधान नहीं है ।

Narcotics haul in Rajasthan

*130. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in the 'Hindustan Times', dated the 8th April, 1987, wherein it had been stated that in one of the biggest narcotics haul in Rajasthan, the police seized heroin and smack worth Rs. 31 crores at Sob village under the Sangarh Police Station in the border district of Jaisalmer; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken or is proposed to be taken against the culprits in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. According to preliminary reports received, 321.720 kgs. of heroin was seized on 6-4-1987 at Sob village, Jaisalmer district. The drug was stated to have been brought from Pakistan. Two persons including a Pak national have been arrested against whom appropriate action under the law will be taken.

Film Exports by the National Film Development Corporation

*131. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the film exports by the National Film Development Corporation have gone down by 50 per cent in 1985-86 as compared to the figure of 1980-81; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to increase the exports of more Indian films to foreign countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Earnings from export of feature films and video rights of feature films have gone down by nearly 48 per cent in 1985-86 compared to the earnings in 1980-81.

(b) The National Film Development Corporation is the canalising agency for export of feature films. Details of important steps taken by the Corporation to increase the export of Indian films to foreign countries are given in the enclosed statement.

Statement

Details of important steps taken by the National Film Development Corporation to increase the export of Indian films to foreign countries:

(i) The National Film Development Corporation participates in film festivals and film markets abroad.

(ii) The Corporation organises film markets on the occasion of International Film Festivals and Filmotsavs held in India and invites prospective buyers-individuals as well as State Agencies, to participate in them.

(iii) Foreign delegations are invited and encouraged to visit India to view Indian films for selection and purchase.

(iv) The Corporation has entered into exclusive agency agreements with the State Agencies of some countries.

(v) The Corporation has a Regional Office in London to promote export of films.

(vi) Festivals of Indian films are organised in various countries under the Cultural Exchange Programme or otherwise create an interest in Indian films abroad.

(vii) The Corporation has constituted Regional Film Export Advisory Committees at Madras, Bombay and Calcutta and a Central Film Export Advisory Committee at Bombay jointly with Film Industry to devise steps to boost exports.

(viii) The Corporation seeks help from Indian Embassies abroad to open up further avenues for new markets.

(ix) NFDC has prepared marketing tools like subtitled prints, video cassettes and other material for publicity and distribution during film festivals as well as through the London office.

(x) NFDC gives advances/loans to exporters for preparation of print material etc.

(xi) In the case of countries where there are foreign exchange constraints, the NFDC is exploring the possibility of accepting payment in local currency.

Percentage of penalty realized for customs officials

132. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Customs officials are entitled to a percentage of the penalty amount realized from the importers of Cargo whose goods are not cleared in time and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what was the amount of such penalty collected during the last two years by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) Under the provisions of the Customs Act, if any imported goods are not cleared for home consumption or warehoused or transhipped within 45 days from the date of unloading (or within such further time as the proper officer may allow) or if the title of any imported goods is relinquished, such goods, after notice to the importer and with the permission of the proper officer are sold by the person having the custody thereof.

The custody of imported goods is generally with the Port Trust at sea ports, International Airports Authority of India at the Airports and Railways or Central Warehousing Corporation at the Inland Container Depots.

Sale proceeds of goods (other than confiscated goods) are applied to payment of the expenses of the sale, payment of freight to the carrier, payment of duty on the goods, etc. as per the provisions under the Customs Act.

No penalty is realised from importers of cargo whose goods are not cleared in time, and, therfore, the question of percentage of penalty being given to Customs Department/officials does not arise. However, fines-in-lieu of confiscation, wherever imposed are appropriated in accordance with the provisions of the Customs Act.

Computerised cheques in the Nationalised Banks

*133. SHRI V. RAMANATHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that even after the introduction of Magnetic Ink Character Recognition system of computerised cheques in the nationalised banks the depositors are finding it difficult to have their cheques credited to their accounts in time; and